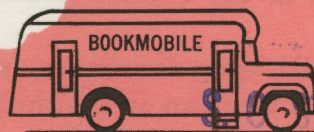


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LSCA AWAITS PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE

On June 22 the Senate passed its version of H. R. 14050, the Library Services and Construction Act, by a unanimous voice vote.

In an effort to speed passage of the legislation, the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee reported out the House-passed bill, with the same amounts authorized for all five years, but with several other differences. On June 28 the House accepted the Senate-passed bill, clearing the measure for the President's signature before the current Act expires June 30.

The amendments adopted by the Senate would:

Retain the present matching-formula ratio at 66-2/3 to 33-1/3 percent for all titles except III, which would require 50-50 matching funds after the first year of full Federal payments for interlibrary co-operation.

Eliminate the expanded construction definition to permit acquisition of existing buildings.

Eliminate the provision for acquisition of works of art for buildings.

Congress also passed a resolution permitting the continuation of existing programs at current fiscal 1966 levels. A supplemental appropriation will be required to fund all titles under new authorizations.

CAMPAIGN FOR INCREASED STATE AID LAUNCHED

The Trustee Section and Public Library Section of SCLA have launched a campaign designed to obtain increased State Aid for public libraries in 1967. Plans for the drive were laid during strategy meetings of a State Aid Campaign Committee on May 14 and June 18. Co-chairmen for the committee are Jean Galloway of the Trustee Section and Mrs. Catherine Lewis of the Public Library Section.

The campaign will open formally on July 23 with a joint meeting of the Public Library Section and the Trustee Section in Columbia. Trustees, librarians, staff members, and friends are invited to attend the all day session to be held at the Richland County Library. The background of the State Aid program, the needs for increased State Aid, and the means of obtaining the requested increase will be considered at the meeting.

The proposal made by the two Sections calls for a change from the present \$1,500 per county grants to grants based on population. Twenty-five cents per capita, plus an additional 3% to meet administrative costs, is the amount that will be requested of the 1967 General Assembly. If all 46 counties participate, the annual cost to South Carolina would be approximately \$613,358.

The request for increased State Aid will be based primarily on the urgent needs for books and personnel in South Carolina libraries. With a total bookstock of 1,958,602 volumes in local public libraries and 162,416 volumes in the State Library Board's inter-library loan collection, South Carolina has less than one book per capita. If the old, worn, and out-of-date books were eliminated, we would have less than one-half book per person to meet the reading needs of our people.

A crying need for trained personnel also exists in S. C. public libraries. Today only 54 professionally trained librarians are employed in our public libraries. To provide an adequate program of service at state, regional, and local levels, we should have at least 112 professional librarians. As it is, one regional library, 16 county libraries, and 17 municipal libraries now have no professionally trained personnel because they are financially unable to compete with better supported systems. A similar shortage of pre-professional and clerical staff exists in all S. C. public libraries.

The requested increase in State Aid will supplement the local support provided by counties and municipalities to enable our libraries to approach the level of quality service demanded by South Carolinians. If achieved, it will also indicate that the State is ready to acknowledge its responsibility to provide for all citizens access to the means of continuing education and self-development.

THE PROPOSED STATE AID PROGRAM -

What It Will Mean For S. C. Public Library Systems

<u>County</u>	<u>Population (1960)</u>	<u>Income from Proposed 25¢ Per Capita State Aid</u>
Abbeville	21,417	\$ 5,354
Aiken, Bamberg, Barnwell, Edgefield	130,706	32,676
Allendale, Hampton, Jasper	41,024	10,255
Anderson	98,478	24,469
Beaufort	44,187	11,047
Berkeley	38,196	9,549
Calhoun	12,256	3,064
Charleston	216,382	54,095
Cherokee	35,205	8,801
Chester	30,888	7,722
Chesterfield	33,717	8,429
Clarendon	29,490	7,372
Colleton	27,816	6,954
Darlington	52,928	13,232
Dillon	30,584	7,646
Dorchester	24,383	6,096
Fairfield	20,713	5,178
Florence	84,438	21,109
Georgetown	34,798	8,699
Greenville	209,776	52,444
Greenwood	44,346	11,086
Horry	68,247	17,062
Kershaw	33,585	8,396
Lancaster	39,352	9,838
Laurens	47,609	11,902
Lee	21,832	5,458
Lexington	60,726	15,181
McCormick	8,629	2,157
Marion	32,014	8,003
Marlboro	28,529	7,132
Newberry, Saluda	43,970	10,995
Oconee	40,204	10,051
Orangeburg	68,559	17,140
Pickens	46,030	11,507
Richland	200,102	50,025
Spartanburg	156,830	39,207
Sumter	74,941	18,736
Union	30,015	7,504
Williamsburg	40,932	10,233
York	78,760	19,690
Sub-Total		\$ 595,494
3% for administrative purposes		17,864
TOTAL		<u>\$613,358</u>

CONSTRUCTION GRANTS TOTAL \$460,000

South Carolina's public libraries will share in a \$460,000 Federal grant for the construction of public library buildings during the 1967 fiscal year. The funds are administered by the State Library Board which establishes criteria and priorities for construction grants. They will be used to build or renovate main and branch libraries in nine counties.

Counties which will benefit from these construction funds include: Sumter, Bamberg, Abbeville, Newberry, Pickens, Charleston, Oconee, Richland and York.

The Sumter County Library at Sumter will build a new main building. The Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library will construct a new county headquarters building in Bamberg.

The Abbeville County Library at Abbeville and the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library at Newberry will both move their headquarters into former post office buildings which will be completely renovated.

The Charleston County Library plans to build a new branch in the city of Charleston, the Oconee County Library will erect a new branch in Seneca, and the Richland County Public Library will construct a new branch in the St. Andrews district.

York County, now in the process of consolidating its five public libraries into a county-wide system, will receive funds for a new branch library building at York.

These buildings should meet the projected library needs of their communities for the next 20 years.

SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO BUSINESS, TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC BOOKS

The second supplement to the Bibliography of Business, Technical and Scientific Books available on interlibrary loan from the State Library Board will be distributed later this month. It contains many of the new acquisitions to the interlibrary loan collection and the titles represent the most up-to-date sources for information in their fields.

Charles Busha, Reference Consultant, who compiled the bibliography, stressed the fact that the list is not comprehensive, but it was prepared to give the public an idea of the wide range of business, scientific and technical books available through the interlibrary loan service of the State Library Board.

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Brown, Douglas S. The Catawba Indians: The People of the River. University of South Carolina Press, \$10.00

SCHOLARSHIP AND INTERN PROGRAMS

An evaluation of the scholarship and intern programs of the S. C. State Library Board has been made as of January 1, 1966. Since the scholarship program began in 1956, twenty-seven full scholarships and two partial scholarships have been awarded. Of this number, two recipients failed to fulfill contract terms and were consequently dropped from the program. Ten scholarship recipients are attending graduate library schools; eleven others have completed degree requirements and are working in professional positions in S. C. public libraries. Below is a tabulation of the scholarship program evaluation.

Number working in S. C. public libraries after two years -----	5
Number working in S. C. public libraries -- two year obligation not completed -----	9
Number who have left library profession (temporarily) -----	1
Number still in library school -----	10
Number who did not fulfill contract obligations -----	<u>2</u>
Total number of scholarships granted -----	27

Four scholarship students will return to South Carolina in professional positions this fall. Five others will complete degree requirements in June or August, 1967.

Since 1959 when the intern program began, 102 internships have been awarded. Of this number, fourteen have received graduate scholarships, and at the present time, seven are still in library school. An undetermined number of former interns are also employed in school and college libraries in South Carolina at a pre-professional level.

Below is a tabulation of the intern program evaluation.

Total number of internships given since 1959 -----	102
Total number who have received scholarships -----	14
Total number who have attended library school on their own -----	4
Total number now working in S. C. public libraries -----	15

LIBRARY LEGISLATION

Library legislation passed by the 1966 General Assembly included two especially significant Acts. These provided unified county library systems for Union and York counties.

Three Acts authorized the financing of new library buildings: Andrews branch of the Georgetown County Library and headquarters libraries for Lexington and Sumter counties.

The Newberry-Saluda Regional Library, which had been operating under contract since 1949, was legally established.

85th ANNUAL ALA CONFERENCE

An estimated 7,000 librarians are expected to attend the 85th Annual American Library Association Conference in New York July 10-16, thus making it the largest conference in the ninety-year history of the Association.

The theme for the Conference is "Libraries and the Inquiring Mind." An anticipated record total of more than 625 meetings will be held during the week to further improve library service and librarianship.

Outstanding speakers from the fields of communications, industry, science, technology and education will address the conference sessions which will be conducted by the various divisions of ALA. There are fourteen divisions, representing the different types-of-libraries and the types-of-activity libraries.

For the first time, the annual U.S.A. International Book Exhibition will be a part of the ALA's annual conference. More than 475 booths will be established by leading domestic and foreign publishers at the Hilton, Americana, and City Squire Motor Inn.

Librarians will have an opportunity to meet with book illustrators, designers, authors and editors on Idea Day, Wednesday afternoon, July 13. The exhibiting publishers are expected to have on hand their creative personnel at their booths to exchange ideas with librarians.

In addition to those listed in the June News for Public Libraries the following Greenville Trustees will attend preconference institutes: Miss Jean Galloway, Romaine A. Barnes, E. A. Burch, Caldwell Harper, H. Z. Jones and Frank S. Leake, Jr. Charles E. Stow, Librarian, will attend the Equipment Institute and the Conference. Charles A. Stevenson, Reference Librarian, will attend the Conference.

ABBEVILLE AND GREENWOOD FORM REGIONAL LIBRARY

Boards of trustees of the Abbeville County Library and the Greenwood City-County libraries have signed a contract establishing the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library.

The joint announcement was made Wednesday by Fletcher W. Ferguson, chairman of the Abbeville board, and chairman Edgar Davis of the Greenwood board.

The regional setup has been a subject of discussion by the two boards individually in consultation with the State Library Board for more than a year.

The new regional library will receive increased funds and assistance under the demonstration program of the State Library Board.

There will be no immediate changes in personnel, each present unit maintaining its own staff, although there will be some altering of assignments, the chairmen said.

The regional library board will consist of seven members, elected by their respective boards. Greenwood members will be Edgar Davis, Mrs. R. L. Steer, Dr. A. L. Schneider, and William L. Bross. Abbeville members are Fletcher W. Ferguson, Mrs. Cal Stevenson, and Myer Poliakoff.

BOARD CHAIRMAN RESIGNS

Larry Rogers, who was one of the original appointees to the Beaufort County Library Board in 1961 and its first and only chairman, has resigned from the board. Under Mr. Rogers' chairmanship, the library has made much progress. County-wide library service was inaugurated and a professionally trained librarian was employed to direct the library. In 1963 the library won the national Book-of-the-Month Club award of \$5,000; in 1964 a new \$54,400 library building, 50 per cent of which was funds from the Federal Accelerated Public Works Program, was completed; the latest development was the placing of an order for a new \$10,200 bookmobile.

MEMORIAL SHELF AT COLLETON COUNTY LIBRARY

Over 20 books pertaining mainly to Southern history have been donated to the Colleton County Memorial Library in memory of William Edward Fripp. A plaque in the reference room reads:

"William Edward Fripp, 1896-1965. First President of the Colleton County Historical Society. Official of the Walterborough Library Society and of the Colleton County Memorial Library. In appreciation of his services these books are dedicated to his memory. The Colleton County Historical Society."

CLEAN BASEMENTS VS. BOOK REVIEWS

"There are some jobs that have to be done. If it means that I work in blue jeans for the day cleaning out the basement, or file catalog cards, or hang art exhibits, it does not mean they are jobs that are not as satisfying as making a reading list, giving a book review, cataloging a book, or other professional tasks. I'm afraid I see no difference in a clean basement and a good book review. They both give me a feeling of having done my best."

———— An SCLB scholarship recipient after a year's experience as a county librarian.

OF LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. McClure, Varnville, presented several copies of the large-print Reader's Digest for persons with visual problems to the Hampton County Library of the Allendale-Hampton-Jasper Regional Library.

Two gifts have been made to the memorial book fund of the Hampton County Library of the Allendale-Hampton-Jasper Regional Library. They were in memory of Mrs. G. Y. Frentzel and Mrs. David Anderson.

The Peoples National Bank, Greenville, is co-sponsoring the Vacation Reading Club of the Greenville County Library.

A fifteen-volume encyclopedia, The Encyclopedia of World Art, has been donated anonymously to the Oconee County Library through the Friends of the Library.

The North Augusta Woman's Club is sponsoring a weekly story hour at the Nancy Carson branch of the Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library. A puppet show is planned for July 29.

Emma Fulton, Murrells Inlet, has joined the staff of the Florence County Library. Miss Fulton was formerly connected with the Baptist Book Store, Charlotte, N. C.

Seneca City Council has given unanimous approval of final plans for a \$100,000 branch of the Oconee County Library and committed the city for \$25,640 as its share toward the total cost.

The York Township Library Board is conducting a campaign to raise \$8,000 to be added to the \$17,000 available for a new building, a branch of the recently reorganized York County Library. If the goal is reached, the library will be eligible for a building grant of \$50,000 from the State Library Board.

Josephine Crouch, Director, Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library, has been elected president of the Aiken branch of the American Association of University Women.

Mrs. C. S. Davis, who is on the staff of the Florence County Library, is recuperating from an operation.

Jane Jarvis, Hodges, who is a student in library science at McGill University, is a summer cataloging assistant at the Greenwood City and County Public Library.

Library borrowers in Ridgeland continue to appreciate the spacious new library quarters in the auditorium of the former county agricultural building. Local members of the Allendale-Hampton-Jasper Regional Library Board were influential in obtaining the room, redecorating it, and in installing new shelving.

BOOKLIST FOR HEAD START PROGRAMS

A new booklist listing books and recordings for children to extend their horizons, deepen their understanding and help them to become more sensitive and aware of the world around them is now available through the Office of Economic Opportunity.

The booklet, entitled "We Read" and including eight selected lists, was prepared by the Children's Services Division of the American Library Association in cooperation with the OEO. The intent was to prepare bibliographies that would be particularly helpful to the individual working with disadvantaged children, especially in Head Start programs.

"We Read" is available free from the Office of Economic Opportunity, Community Action Program, Washington, D. C. 20506. It is also being distributed to all OEO regional offices and anti-poverty programs of the OEO.

PAPERBACKS FOR A HOME LIBRARY

An attractive four-page leaflet, "Paperbacks for a Home Library," lists more than two dozen annotated titles which were chosen to help the young adult build his own home library. For less than twenty-five dollars, a library of modern fiction, history, science, biography, philosophy, poetry, and economics can be purchased.

A single copy of the list is available free; 35 copies for \$1.00; 100 for \$2.50; 500 for \$10.00; 1,000 for \$18.00 from the Young Adult Services Division, American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

PLANNING A NEW LIBRARY?

Rolf Myller, prize-winning architect and member of the American Institute of Architects, is the author of The Design of the Small Public Library which clearly explains every stage in the development of a library building. It is mainly intended for libraries which serve populations under 10,000 and which have limited budgets for building programs.

This manual outlines the authority and responsibility of the trustees, the librarian and the architect in the creation of a library building. It also discusses each factor in the planning of the building, including choice of site; relationships of departments within the library; basic circulation patterns; role of the library building consultant; layout of furniture and equipment; special provisions for the children's section; and landscape design. In addition, environmental conditions such as heating and lighting, and different types of materials for floors, walls and ceilings are covered.

Copies of The Design of the Small Public Library are now available at \$10.00 net postpaid each, from R. R. Bowker Company, 1180 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036.

THANK YOU, OCONEE COUNTY LIBRARY

The 1965-66 annual report of the Oconee County Library was submitted to the State Library Board on July 6. This is the first report to be received and other libraries are urged to follow suit.

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Anne Library

Dear Anne:

We certainly have a clever librarian! She has solved the problem of her children's care by fetching them to the library where they romp and stomp and cause general bedlam and confusion. The staff members tell me they can hardly work for the little fingers pecking on the typewriters and adding machines and picking up anything that strikes the fancy and the little feet scurrying around and up and down. Needless to say, the public stays away in droves but when a visit is necessary, it is limited to as few minutes as possible.

Do you have any words of wisdom to cover such a situation? I'm afraid the habit may spread to other communities.

Flabbergasted

Dear Flabbergasted:

Your fears are not premature—this condition exists in several libraries, and it certainly should be remedied.

I suggest that this matter be taken up with the library board and soon. (Don't board members ever go to the library?). If a staff manual does not exist, now is the time. This is highly unprofessional to say nothing of the accidents which might befall the little dears in their unsupervised play.

Anne

SYMPATHY TO

The family of Earl Hodges. Mr. Hodges, who was a member of the Abbeville County Library Board, died recently.

The family of the late J. C. Gullion. His wife and daughter, Drucilla Ann, are on the staff of the Aiken County Library of the Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library.

JULY PUBLICITY POINTER

Who's new at your library? Never miss an opportunity to let the community know through your local news media that a new person has joined your staff. All changes in personnel should be noted with separate news releases on each person. This is not to indicate a high turnover of personnel, but to keep the public aware of the library's continuing search for highly qualified employees.

NEED SOME SIT-UPONS?

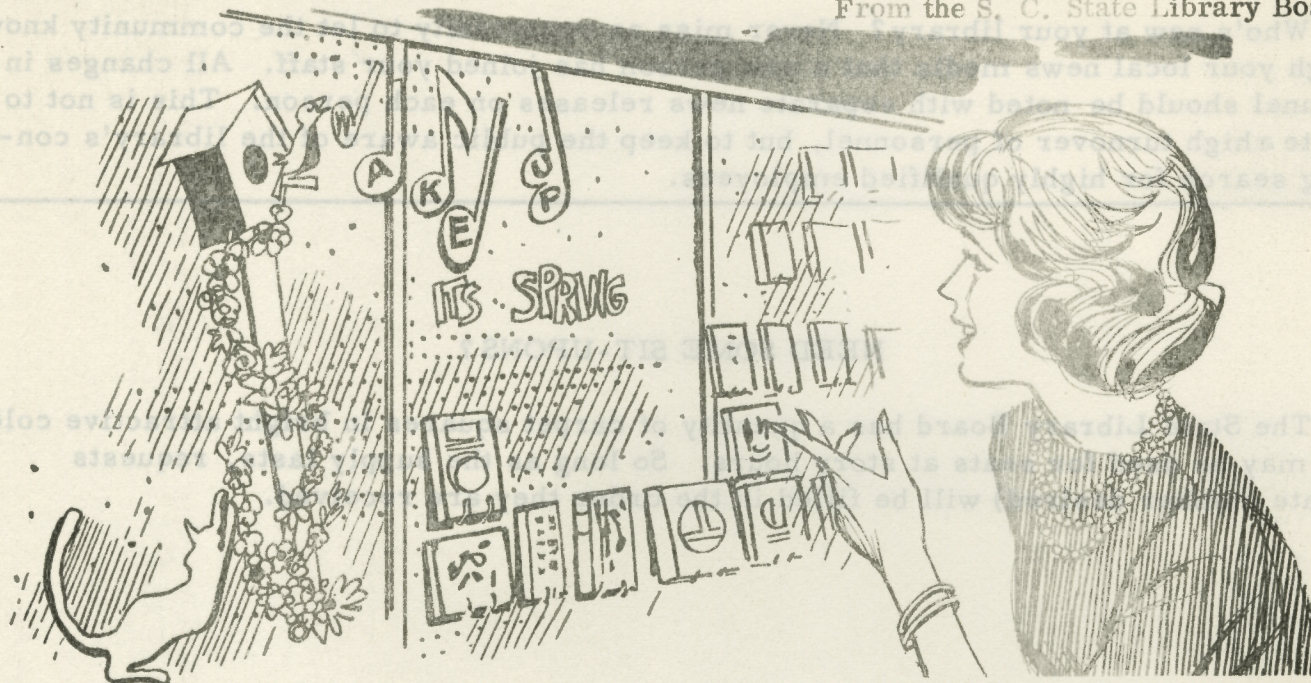
The State Library Board has a quantity of carpet squares in bright attractive colors which may be used for seats at story hours. So long as the supply lasts, requests (indicate number desired) will be filled in the order they are received.

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This monthly feature is designed to show you an outstanding example of publicity or public relations done by a South Carolina public library, and to tell you how it came about.

From the S. C. State Library Board



Do your library displays attract attention and help spark interest in reading?

Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, reference librarian at the Richland County Public Library, feels that attractive displays are well worth the effort, and she is well known for those that she creates for her library. First, Mrs. Wilson decides on an appropriate seasonal theme. She then does most of her own art work and lettering on poster or construction paper. Her display board in the main lobby is constructed of pegboard and allows her to attach related books directly to the display. She feels that this merger of books and attention-attracting material is the key to a successful display.

Mrs. Wilson frequently coordinates the library's radio and television spots to the theme of the display, often making a color slide of the display for TV use. Whenever appropriate, children's room displays are also coordinated with the main lobby display.

Mrs. Wilson reports that well-located displays attract considerable attention. She feels that they help create interest in books and other library services not only for regular patrons but particularly for first-time visitors to the library.

Moral: Make your library displays work for you. Make them an attractive, coordinated part of your over-all promotional program.

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